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1. There is a group within the Venezuelan government that, having been responsible for the outlawing of the Partido Comunista de Venezuela (PCV), is desirous of bringing about the severance of diplomatic relations between Venezuela and the Soviet Union. Source stated that it would be only a matter of time until this group achieved its end.
2. An individual who is known to have had close contacts with the Soviet Embassy in Caracas and who is believed to maintain these contacts at the present time, remarked that a rupture of Soviet-Venezuelan diplomatic relations could be expected at any moment.
3. On 14 May 1950 four men were observed at the incinerator of the Soviet Embassy burning what appeared to be lengths of inflammable material. The tape-like material was removed from reels and dropped into the incinerator and immediately went up in smoke. Some of the material was burned on the ground and not in the incinerator.
4. There are some sixty persons employed by the Soviet Embassy in Caracas including Spaniards, Poles, Russians, Hungarians, and other foreigners, but no Venezuelans. Members of the staff as well as persons who visit the Soviet Embassy at night are counted in this figure.

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